Imperial Tars - A Princely Reception in Moscow, Etc.

A Little Rest and Preparing for Moscow. ST. PETERSBURG, August 22,-The past two days have afforded us some little quiet and rest, although there has been a good dead of sight-seeing. To-day most of the officers have little to do, as Admiral Lessovsky desires us to prepare for our journey to Moscow to-morrow, which involves nearly twenty hours of continuous travel in the cars. A Court Dinner and Ball.

Those of the gentlemen who had the honor of a presentation to their Imperial Majesties last Sunday, are invited to a court-dinner touay and a ball in the evening at Peterhoff. The latter affair does not encourage the belief that we shall enjoy much rest the next thirty. six hours, unless we can catch it in the cars.

Visit to the Observatory. On Monday some of the gentlemen visited the celebrated observatory of which General Struez is director. They were shown everything of interest connected with the magnificent institution by the distinguished director in person, and afterwards invited to an elegant and profuse lunch prepared for them.

A Railroad Contractor's Banquet. In the evening all went to dine with Mr. Winans, the great railroad contractor, who is now operating the road between St. Petersburg and Moscow. Mr. Winans has a magnificent villa about four miles from the cicy, on one of the islands which surround the Russian capital. The dinner was splendid in every sense of the word. In variety and delicacy nothing we have as yet seen could exceed it. As for the wines, nothing superior could be found in the empire.

About thirty four gentlemen were present among whom were two or three distinguished Russian engineers, and several American gentlemen attached to Mr. Winans' corps. General Clay and Mr. Curtin were on hand,

and the former made a handsome speech in response to a well-conceived toast of Mr. Winans. Other speeches were made by our host, Mr. Fox, Captain Murray, and others, all exceedingly good. Saidow's celebrated orchestra was in attendance and played splen-

A Merchant's Villa. Subsequently we went to the villa of Mr. Gromoff, the richest merchant in Russia. His villa is palatial in all its arrangements and parts. The grounds are superb, and ornamented with fountains, statuary, flowers, shrubs, and, indeed, everything that can beautify and adorn, regardless of cost. The grounds were lit up on the occasion by thousands upon thousands of lights, in a highly artistic and effective manner, and the electric light was brought into play to illuminate, in varied colors, the magnificent jet of water near the house. It was a fairy scene without and not less so within, where the beauty and elite of St. Petersburg had assembled to meet

our officers. The dancing was maintained with great eian until long after midnight. And here I may observe that the Russian ladies are the most graceful dancers in the world. The figures of the dances are complicated and quick, and it is a splendid sight to see some of the superb women of Russia whirl through the mazes in perfect time and with a charming grace and skill. One is completely carried away at the sight of the Polish mazourka, which is only danced in Russia. It is a wild, lively, beautiful dance, and perfectly fascinating when some of the Cossack officers participate. At midnight we sat down to a supper such as the richest merchant of Russia ought to give.

There were toasts and speeches, but I was far away, and did not hear the speakers.

Mr. Fox said something of a compliment-ary character to the host, which was greatly applauded. We got home at a late hour, most of us being used upby a hard day's work.

A Charitable Institution. Yesterday the Foundling Hospital was visited. It is an institution in which over ten thousand little waifs of humanity are yearly received, of whom the State becomes thereafter the sole father. Every ward was shown from that where they are received, bathed, christened, ticketed, dressed and given to a wet nurse, who lives in the country, for care. No questions are asked of the mother who presents the infant. She is allowed to know the number and name of the child as borne on the books of the asylum, but beyond that no information is given. Twenty-five infants were received the day of the visit of our officers.

Afterwards other public institutions were visited and inspected. At every point the officials showed the utmost attention to the visitors, who were extremely gratified at the result of the day's excursion.

Evening Entertainments.

In the evening there were several little hops and suppers at some of the clubs—informal affairs-to which the officers were invited. They passed over very pleasantly, and as usual the gentlemen were the recipients of agreeable attentions.

A Military Display.

The review at Krasnoi Silo, at which the commanding officers attended, was a brilliant affair. All the troops passed under review, and performed various evolutions at the command of the Emperor.

The Empress was present herself, and manitested great interest in the proceedings. After the review the Americans had the honor of breakfasting with their Majesties. Private Compliments.

There have been a number of entertainments of a private character given by Americans and Russians.

One given at the Hotel de France by Mr. Mason, of Boston, at which a number of Russian and American gentlemen were present, passed off in a very jolly and happy

style.

M. Abaza, of the Emperor's household, and several Russians of high families, gave a return dinner a few days after, which was also a success.

Among the gentlemen present were Messrs. Kingsland, of New York; Mason, Chadwick, Dr. Livermore, and others, of Boston, a very nice party.

An Americo-Russian Poem. The following is a poem which was written by Dr. Holmes, to be read by Mr. Fox at some entertainment in Russia. It has been fully translated into Russian by a celebrated Russian poet, and is said to have retained the | by the purchaser to the seller!

sontiments of the work to a happy degree. The poem has been published in the Russian press, and has already become popular. THE POEM.

Though watery deserts hold apart
The worlds of East and West,
Still beats the self-same human heart
In each proud nation's breast,

Our floating turret tempts the main, And dares the howling blast, To clasp more close the golden chain That long has bound them fast.

In vain the gales of ocean sweep, In vain the billows roar. That chair the wild and stormy steep Of storied Elsinore!

She comes! she comes! her banners dip In Neva's flashing tide, With greetings on her cannon's lips, The storm-god's iron bride.

Peace garlands with the olive bough Her thunder bearing tower, And plants before her cleaving prow

The sea foam's milk-white flower. No prairies heaped their garnered store To fill her sunless hold, Not rich Nevada's gleaming ore

Its hidden caves enfold. But lightly as the sea bird swings, She floats the depth above, A breath of flame to lend her wings-

Her treight a people's love. When darkness hid the stormy skies, In war's long winter night, one ray still cheered our straining eyes,

The far-off northern light. And now the friendly rays return, From lights that glow afar, Those clustered lamps of Heaven that burn Around the western star.

A nation's love in tears and smiles, We bear across the sea, Oh, Neva of the hundred isles, We moor our hearts in thee.

Its Reception. The reading of this, both in English and Russian, was hailed by loud and frequent applause. A second and third reading was called for and given, and the enthusiasm went up to the nineties. The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table must be congratulated on the warm reception of his spirited verses.

Dinner to the American Tars. The sailors of the Augusta and Miantonomah, to the number of one hundred and sixty or more, were last week honored with a grand dinner in Cronstadt by the Russian authorities. The Mayor of the city was present, as well as Mr. Wilkins, our Consul at the port, and a number of Russian officers. A great number of Russian tars were also

on hand, and affiliated joytully with our

blue-jackets. The dinner was a fine one;

there was plenty of wine, ale, etc., and afterwards Jack got his more favorite beverage. Speeches were made, and a grand fraternal ollification enjoyed. If there was a little bolsterous music in the evening, it did no damage, but merely swelled the list of sick men the following day, all of whom soon recovered from their bout with the hard-

headed Russian Jacks. The Russian authorities made the affair in every way an agreeable and long-to-be-remembered one. Bands were in attendance to discourse music while Jack stowed away his grub, and a hornvipe or two was indulged in when the dinner had been completed. The men behaved, as a general thing, very

THE MISSION IN MOSCOW.

Enthusiastic Reception and a Princely

Moscow, August 25-11-30 P. M.-It is impossible to convey an adequate idea of the enthusiastic manner in which the deputation from the United States has been received in Mcscow and in every other place in Russia they have visited.

The banquet given last evening by Prince Dolgorakis, Governor-General of Moscow, was a magnificent affair. All the city flocked to the Zoological Gardens to witness the display of fireworks. The pieces were of great r an were emblam the friendship established between Russia

and the United States.
Visit to the Institutions. To-day we visited the public institutions and many private manufactories in Moscow. We received a most hearty welcome at each place. The streets were crowded and the popular demonstration of joy and friendship quite unparalleled.

The Municipal Reception.

The city of Moscow has given a grand dinner to-night. The banquet hall is festooned with the flags of both nations beautifully blended. The table is elegantly laid out and decorated. The fare is among the choicest that the empire can afford. Speeches were made by the Mayor of Moscow, Mr. Fox, Mr. Clay, Mr. Murray, and other officers, as well as some of the prominent citizens present. The most friendly sentiments have been interchanged, and the cheering and enthusiasm are immense. The banquet is still progressing. The city is brilliantly illuminated, and the streets are still crowded with people. Moscow sends a most friendly greeting to

America.—N. Y, Herald. -The Journal du Haure relates the following act of cannibalism, or which the crew of the Futton have been the victims:—'The Futton, which was cruising on the coast of New Caledonia, had occasion to send a boat up one of the rivers. The boat not returning the captain got uneasy, and sailed up the river in search of the lost boat and its crew. In a short space of time the ship came to a small island, on which were discovered the remains of the unfortunate men, who had been killed and eaten by the savages. Continuing its voyage up the river, the Fullon fell in with some natives, who, on being made prisoners, informed the captain that the boat's crew had been attacked by the savages, who killed the sailors, and then ate them. after they had been roasted. They further added, that one of the sattors had to be cooked for a long time, being old, and that even then his flesh was so tough that it was almost impos sible to eat it. The captain of the suiton was so exasperated at this sad history, that he ordered all the natives that could be found to be put to

death, and their villages burnt." -A curious and deplorable accident occurred in the small village of Tolhouse (Hautes Pyrenees), on the 15th of August. In one of the public houses the landlord was in the habit of making use of a hollow cannon ball (which had probably been brought from the camp of Lan-nemezan), as a candlestick, it being supposed that all the powder had been extracted. About four o'clock in the morning of the above-named day, the landlord, worn out with fatigue, lay down on his bed, recommending the persons in the public house to conduct themselves in an orderly manner. He had scarcely laid down when a dreadful explosion took place. The candle having burnt nearly out, a spark fell into the hollow ball, which, instead of being with rowder. The empty as supposed, was filled with powder. The ball burst, killed four men on the spot, and mortally wounded two others. Five other persons were more or less severely wounded. This earful event has cast a gloom over the whole

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